

## THE WRECKED MOHEGAN

Ninety-five Lives Lost Off Britain's Stormy Coast.

## THE BRAVERY OF THE SAILORS.

None of Them Made any Effort to Escape in the Lifeboats, and the Gallant Officers Went Down With Their Doomed Vessel.

London, Oct. 17.—The steamer Mohegan, of the Atlantic Transfer company, was wrecked last Friday evening. Of the 144 persons on board, including 53 passengers, 95 were lost. The total number of bodies thus far recovered is 56. Many persons undoubtedly were killed by being dashed on the rocks which would have escaped if cast ashore on an ordinary coast. Some of the bodies are horribly mangled.

The cause of the disaster remains the profoundest mystery. Nobody attempts to explain how the Mohegan got so far north of her true course—from six to seven miles. There was no fog at the time, while the wind on her port quarter was not sufficient to prevent her answering the compass was steady, but daylight lasted long after Eddy's stone light was passed. The sailors say the fact that the Lizard light was not visible should have served to give the alarm.

Remarkable stories of rescues continue. Robert Barrow, a seaman, performed the feat of swimming unaided through the roughest water to Cove-rack Point, a distance of two and one-half miles. He climbed up the ragged cliff, where a searching party found him nearly the next morning completely exhausted. A. C. L. Smith, of Oregon, a passenger, surrendered to a woman in the water wreckage that was supporting him and swam ashore unaided. The woman was saved.

The crew, in a chivalrous effort to save the women, made the mistake of undermining the boats. There were only four sailors in one boat, which capsized as soon as it was launched. Messrs. Smith and Bloomingdale say that Captain Griffiths had appeared ill all day.

The heroism of the English coast patrol and the discipline of the Saxon sailors stand out boldly. The Mohegan smashed upon the rocks at the Manacles off the Lizard at 7 o'clock Friday evening while the passengers were at dinner.

From the best evidence obtainable at St. Keverine it appears that the Mohegan foundered five minutes after she struck the rocks. She was going at full speed, struck twice, stopped and rapidly settled into the water. As the captain and the executive officers of the steamer went down with her it has been impossible thus far to ascertain how she got out of her course, as Falmouth Light and the coast were visible.

Dinner was ready and Captain Griffiths was about to proceed to the saloon when a sudden crash made it apparent that the steamer had gone ashore. The captain immediately went on deck, and the survivors say they saw him on the bridge doing all in his power to lessen the disaster. There was a rush for the boats, but the officers stood firm and put the women aboard first. Captain Griffiths stuck to his post on the bridge shouting orders through a trumpet until he went down with the ship. One passenger cut away the falls of a lifeboat with a razor and thus saved several lives.

As soon as the Mohegan struck the rocks the passengers were wafted ashore and the Port Housstock lifeboat immediately put out. The life savers did noble work, and the Port Housstock boat was immediately followed by others. There was a high sea running, as the result of a gale, which made it necessary for tugs which put out to turn back.

The terror of the scene was indescribable—men jumped overboard in an agony of despair and the women passengers huddled together and refused to leave the deck. The officers remained on the bridge to the last and many instances of sacrifice are recorded. Members of the crew are known to have stood by and watched the boats launched and put off when it was apparent that these were the only means by which their own lives could be saved.

## A WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED

Thursday, Oct. 20.

Secretary Long will ask congress to increase the naval force to 30,000 men. M. Brisson, the French premier, will probably soon retire on account of ill health.

Admiral Schley has been placed in command of the naval station at San Juan de Porto Rico. Colonel William J. Bryan, of the Third Nebraska regiment, has made no attempt to secure a furlough.

Miss Laura Williams, of Chicago, is en route to London, where she will marry General Wesley Merritt. Florence Bayard, daughter of the late Thomas F. Bayard, is to marry W. S. Hiles, a young Wilmington lawyer.

Before the war investigators, at Jacksonville, Dr. Frye charged many of the contract physicians with gross incompetence. After an execution of eight rebels at Wu Chow, China, little children played with the ghastly heads.

The strike of wire drawers in Cleveland has been declared off, and most of the men return to work.

A native Porto Rican in New York demands the right to vote without naturalization, and has started a legal contest.

Colonel William J. Bryan, of the Third Nebraska regiment, was excused from testifying before the war investigators.

Eleven of the 20 Indians wanted for misdemeanors in Minnesota, whose resistance caused the late conflict, have surrendered.

Ex-Governor Bullock and wife, of Georgia, were robbed of several thousand dollars' worth of diamonds and jewelry at their hotel in Washington.

Saturday, Oct. 23.

General Joubert, of the Transvaal army, is leading a force against murderous natives.

Our Porto Rico evacuation commissioners, having completed their work, are en route for home.

Emperor William's visit to Constantinople was marked by distinguished courtesies at the hands of the sultan.

The Philippines insurgents are collecting export and tonnage duties at the ports under their control.

In a political fight between whites and blacks at Fort Worth, Tex., Hope Adams, white candidate for sheriff, was killed.

It develops that Harold Frederic, the newspaper correspondent and author, who died in London recently, was a victim of "Christian science."

Andy Dupont, who killed William Walker in a prize fight at Omaha, Neb., is held for murder, Police Chief Carroll, who accepted money for "protection," is held as accessory.

Monday, Oct. 24.

Atlanta, Ga., wants the president to attend that city's peace jubilee next month.

It is believed the Second and Third Pennsylvania regiments will be sent to Cuba.

Serious trouble is feared with Comanche, Kiowa and Apache Indians in Oklahoma. They are suffering for food. Dan Connor, shift boss of a mine at Wallace, Idaho, was ordered to leave town by masked men armed with revolvers. He left.

Louis Babn, William Schaffer and another man went duck hunting in Lake Michigan. Off Wilmette their boat capsized and all drowned.

Sergeant Allen, of the Eighth colored immunes, fired on policemen at Chattanooga, Tenn., killing Charles Beagles, a white bystander.

Tuesday, Oct. 25.

The last of the Spanish troops have evacuated the Island of Porto Rico.

By the overflowing of the Yellow river, in China, 2,000 natives were drowned.

Our government has granted Spain an extension of time to Jan. 1 for evacuating Cuba.

General Wesley Merritt was married in London yesterday to Miss Williams, of Chicago.

John L. Kennedy, ex-president of Washington typographical union, has been appointed to the industrial commission by President McKinley.

The dissolution of a court injunction by the United States circuit court at Baltimore assures the reorganization of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad.

The superior court of California decides that Mrs. Botkin cannot be extradited to Delaware for the alleged murder of Mrs. Deane and Mrs. Dunning by poisoned candy sent through the mail.

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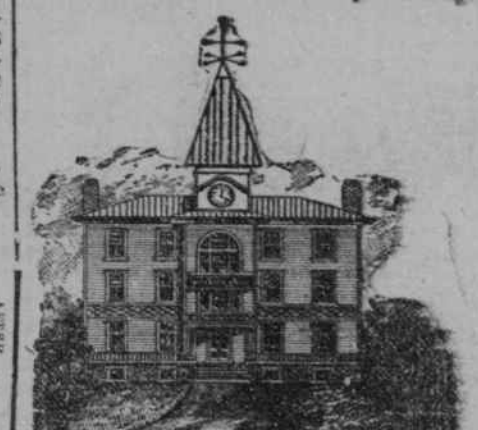
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